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## In the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for the recombinant production of an antifusogenic peptide by expression of a nucleic acid encoding the antifusogenic peptide as a repeat peptide in a microbial host cell to form inclusion bodies which comprise said repeat peptide, comprising the steps of washing the inclusion bodies with 5.5 to 8.0 mol/l of a denaturing agent at a pH value of

at or below pH 6.5, solubilizing the washed inclusion bodies at a pH value of at least pH 9, and

cleaving said repeat peptide to obtain said antifusogenic peptide.

2. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein the washing is performed from about

pH 3 to about 5.

3. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein said repeat peptide is cleaved during

solubilization of said inclusion bodies.

4. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein said repeat peptide is cleaved after

solubilization of said inclusion bodies.

5. (Original) The process according to claim 1, further comprising isolating the produced

antifusogenic peptide.

6-11. (Cancelled).